

## Message Text

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ACTION CG-00

INFO OCT-01 ARA-10 ISO-00 SCS-06 CA-01 EB-08 COM-02  
JUSE-00 CIAE-00 INR-10 NSAE-00 PA-01 ICA-11 SP-02  
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R 102340Z MAY 78  
FM AMEMBASSY MEXICO  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 0145  
INFO COMCOGARDIST EIGHT NEW ORLEANS  
COMCOGARDIST SEVEN MIAMI  
COMCOGARDIST ELEVEN LONG BEACH  
SECDEF ASD/ISA WASHDC  
COAST GUARD WASHDC  
COMCOGARDLANTAREA NY  
COMPAC AREA COAST GUARD

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EO 11652: N/A  
TAGS: OCLR, MX  
SUBJECT: SEARCH AND RESCUE LIAISON BETWEEN U.S. COGARD  
AND MEXICAN AUTHORITIES

REF: STATE 106814

1. EMBASSY AND DAO CONCUR IN USEFULNESS OF MEETING BETWEEN  
U.S. DELEGATION, INCLUDING COAST GUARD, AND APPROPRIATE  
MEXICAN OFFICIALS TO DISCUSS IMPROVED LIAISON BETWEEN SAR  
FORCES OF MEXICO AND U.S. TO BE PRODUCTIVE, HOWEVER, WE  
BELIEVE THAT SUCH A MEETING SHOULD BE HELD IN MEXICO  
CITY AND THAT COAST GUARD DELEGATION BE HEADED BY A REAR  
ADMIRAL. AS DEPARTMENT AWARE, DECISIONS RE SEARCH AND  
RESCUE OPERATIONS AND ENTRY OF FOREIGN AIRCRAFT INTO  
MEXICO ARE MADE AT VERY HIGH LEVEL IN GOM. INDEED, SEC-  
RETARY OF NATIONAL DEFENSE PRESENTLY APPROVES ENTRY INTO  
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MEXICO OF ALL FOREIGN AIRCRAFT. BECAUSE DECISIONS ARE  
MADE AT SUCH HIGH LEVEL AND NOT DELEGATED, WE BELIEVE  
THAT EFFECTIVE DISCUSSION OF SAR COOPERATION WITH GOM  
SHOULD INVOLVE (A) ON MEXICAN SIDE, KEY PARTICIPANTS FROM  
SECRETARIATS OF DEFENSE, FOREIGN RELATIONS, COMMUNICATIONS  
AND NAVY, AND (B) ON U.S. SIDE, REPRESENTATIVES OF EMBASSY,  
DAO AND COGARD.

2. IN ADDITION TO DISCUSSION OF MEASURES INDICATED IN REFERENCED MESSAGE, WE BELIEVE TALKS SHOULD FOCUS ON QUESTION OF IMPROVING MEXICAN RESPONSE TIME TO REQUEST FOR SAR OR EMERGENCY AIRCRAFT CLEARANCES AS WELL AS USEFULNESS OF PUTTING SAR FLIGHTS IN A DIFFERENT CATEGORY FROM NORMAL MILITARY TRAFFIC. ONE DESIRABLE OUTCOME OF SUCH A MEETING WOULD BE TO UPDATE EXISTING SAR AGREEMENTS.

3. DUE TO PERSONNEL ABSENCES IN DAO, EMBASSY DOES NOT BELIEVE SUCH A MEETING COULD USEFULLY BE ORGANIZED BEFORE LATE JUNE OR EARLY JULY. THOMPSON

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